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SUMMARY.

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Between 30,000 and 30,000 people gathered outside the Fleet-street newspaper offices yesterday night to watch the posting of the results.

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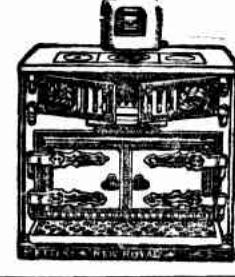
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CAMPBELL.—January 15, at Paddington, Bannister road, Mrs. Campbell, the wife of Mr. Campbell, of a son, Cox.—January 16, at North Sydney, Elderine, Conder-street, Burwood, the wife of James Cox, of a son, Thompson.—January 6, at Glebe, Waring-street, Burwood, the wife of Mr. Thompson, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

GEORGE.—PATRICK.—December 18, 1909, at residence of Captain and Mrs. George, 102, Hynd-Caroline Street, Sydney, a daughter, Charles George, to Winifred Frances, elder daughter of Captain John Paterson, of Balmoral.

DEATHS.

BARCLAY.—January 15, at his residence, 147 Bourke-street, John Barclay, aged 60 years. Inquest.

BARRATT.—January 17, at his residence, 10, Gloucester-street, Mary Barratt, the wife of North Sydney, aged 66 years.

BELZ.—December 16, 1909, at Mount Dwyer Hospital, Phillip-street, beloved husband of Mary Ann Belz, of 22 Jersey-road, Paddington, aged 55 years.

BRANDON.—January 17, 1910, at the Royal North Hospital, David Brandon, aged 66 years. Rest in peace.

DALE.—January 16, at St. Barnabas, Chatswood, Albert Dale, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale, of Alice and Mary, and the late Frederic Dale, aged 27.

GREEN.—January 16, 1910, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Green, 17, at the residence of the late John Mayo, of Millfield, aged 79 years.

GRIFFITH.—January 17, 1910, at Paddington, Frank Griffith, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Griffith, of a son, Philip, aged 25 years.

JOHNSON.—January 17, 1910, at Calton Park Apartments, William Johnson, late of Telopea-road, Redfern, aged 45 years.

KIRK.—January 14, 1910, at St. Barnabas' Private Hospital, Mary, wife of Frank Kayett, Ewen-mare, Toongabbie, aged 62 years.

OLIVER.—January 15, 1910, at her residence, 10, Gloucester-street, Paddington, Mrs. Oliver, daughter of Edward and Mary O'Brien, in her 81st year.

PUGH.—December 31, at her residence, Strathmore, Rosalie, Bessie, widow of the late William Pugh, aged 70 years.

RODGERS.—January 17, 1910, after a long illness, Mary Porteous, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Rodgers, Newington, aged 80 years.

WHITFIELD.—January 17, 1910, at his residence, 22 Wentworth-street, Paddington, Henry Edward Whitfield, aged 70 years, and a resident of this State for 20 years, aged 80 years.

IN MEMORIAM.

BALMINE.—A loving memory of Edie. Inserted by her loving friend, L. P. Pugh.

BLACKER.—In loving memory of our beloved daughter, May, who departed this life January 18th, 1910.

From the ashes of the love of the shade of the tomb. Inserted by her loving mother and father, J. and M. Blacker.

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Your love will be dear to us always.

Inserting by her loving brothers and sisters.

BLACKER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Helen, who departed this life on January 18, 1910, aged 84 years.

As time goes on we miss her more.

Her loving smile, her welcome face.

Her gentle voice, her kind words.

Inserting by her loving daughter and son-in-law, May and Phil Carroll.

BLACKER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Helen, who passed away on January 18th, 1910, aged 84 years.

A sudden change, at God's command she fell.

She had no time to bid her friends farewell.

Her love will be dear to us always.

Inserting by her loving daughter and son, Alice, Helen, and Leslie Gibson.

BLACKER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, who departed this life January 18th, 1910, aged 84 years.

Rest no more on his rough pillow.

All the storms of life are fed;

Death has found a softer pillow.

For we are all mortal.

BLACKER.—In loving memory of our dear daughter, Helen, who passed away on January 18th, 1910, aged 84 years.

Death has taken the loved ones from our home, never to return to us again.

Inserting by her loving parents, P. and H. Kennedy.

BLACKER.—In loving memory of our dear father, and grandfather, James Outteridge, who died January 18th, 1910, inserted by his loving wife and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Mary Outteridge, of Glebe, New South Wales.

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SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

BOTH PARTIES ELATED.

LONDON, Jan. 17. Both Liberals and Unionists express elation at the result of the pollings on Saturday.

Mr. Lloyd-George, speaking at Louth on Saturday night, said that the first results were no indication as to the form Parliament would ultimately take. Whining the election did not mean holding every seat.

AWAITING THE RETURNS.

NEWSPAPER OFFICES BEREFTED.

Over 20,000 to 30,000 gathered outside the Fleet-street newspaper offices in Trafalgar-square and in Aldwych Saturday night to watch the posting of the election results, which were shown on lantern screens.

The periods of waiting were enlivened with political songs, which were rendered upon gramophones.

THE PLAIN ISSUE.

POWER FOR PEOPLE'S REPRESENTATIVES.

FAILURE OF NAVY SCARE.

Mr. Asquith, the Prime Minister, in the course of a speech at Chelmsford, said that the outcry about the navy had completely failed in its object. The very reason for a portion of the new taxes was that the Government, recognising the new conditions under which naval administration had now to be carried on, took prompt and effective measures to make our naval power complete and unassailable.

After dwelling on the issues of the election, Mr. Asquith concluded by urging the electorate to assert for its representatives the sole right to determine taxation, direct the policy, and mould the laws of the kingdom.

MR. BALFOUR ON PREFERENCE.

PRESSURE BY OTHER NATIONS.

BRITISH INDUSTRY DIVERTED.

AN INSULT TO GERMANS.

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AGAINST HOME RULE.

A LIVERPOOL DEMONSTRATION.

One hundred thousand persons in Liverpool on Saturday made an orderly demonstration against home rule.

"About the middle of the year there were sectionals in Liverpool, Birkenhead, and the Mersey Colonies. The announcement that an orderly demonstration against Home Rule has taken place in the city and that the Liverpool people have shared yet that those who took part in the demonstration and those against whom it was directed have their tempers well in hand."

ACTIVITY OF SUFFRAGISTS.

BETWEEN CEILING AND ROOF.

The suffragists were active on Saturday in all the constituencies. They stood outside booths, and urged every elector to keep out the Liberal, or to write to the voting-paper, "Votes for Women."

During the meeting at Louth, in the evening a number of women agitators for the suffrage, who had secreted themselves between the ceiling and the roof, compelled Mr. Lloyd-George to cease speaking while they were being ejected.

Mr. Lloyd-George greeted the suffragists with the words, "I see rats on the roof. Let them squeak!"

ALLEGED ELECTION BRIEFLY.

WRIT FOR SLANDER.

Mr. Foster Fraser (Unionist) and Mr. E. Ashton Basley (Workingman, Unionist), candidates for Leicester, have issued writs against Mr. Ramsay MacDonald for slandering and abusing them.

Mr. Lloyd-George, speaking at the meeting at Louth, said that he had been told that they had bribed the electors with drink.

INTEREST IN SOUTH AFRICA.

The newspapers in South Africa published editions on Sunday, owing to the intense interest manifested in the elections.

ELECTION NOTES.

The story of Mr. George Wyndham, who was elected on Saturday for Dover, is a real political tragedy. He began as private secretary to Mr. Arthur Balfour, who was his dearest and friend. When he gave his first position to his friend—the War Office. He did very well at the War Office, and three years later, in 1901, was made Chief Secretary for Ireland. He was brilliant. He was a lineage descendant of Lord Edward Fitzgerald, and the Irish rebels received him in a warm welcome, as he had no political connections.

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CONSERVING RESOURCES.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

GREAT PROJECTS SUGGESTED.

LONDON, Jan. 17.

President Taft, in a message to Congress, advocates the conservation of natural resources of the Republic. He asks for the withdrawal of public lands from the settlement when they contain forests, coal, minerals, or phosphates, or which border on water.

President Taft suggests that the Government should retain the title to coal and mineral resources and agricultural land.

The public domain, the President says, now consists of 1000 million acres, including lands in Alaska.

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